(b) Does not arise.

(c) The concerns highlighted by Ministry of Environment and Forests are equally relevant to the inter-linking of rivers as to any other water resources project.

Water share due to Kerala

1019. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the actual water share due to Kerala from Parampikulam-Aliyar Agreement;

(b) whether Government are aware that only 0.7 tmc. of water is diverted from Cauvery against the 147 tmc. which is actually due to Kerala;

(c) Whether Government are also aware that Kerala is not getting its water share from Tamil Nadu since May 15, which resulted in drought in the Palghat District; and

(d) whether Government would intervence and ask Tamil Nadu to allocate the due share to Kerala?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) As reported by the Government of Kerala, the actual water share due to Kerala as per Parambikulam-Aliyar Project agreement is as under:-

(1) From Chalakkudy basin, Kerala is entitled for a total quantity of 12.3 thousand million cubic feet (TMC) of water to be made available at Kerala Sholayar Power House.

(2) 7.25 TMC of water at Manacadavu weir near Kerala border exclusive of unutilizable flood water, for the agriculture purpose of Chitturpuzha valley, annually.

(3) The entire flow during 1st October to 31st January every year from Upper Nirar weir.

(4) From the Parambikulam group of dam, Kerala is entitled to a quantity of 2.5 TMC when the yield exceeds 16.5 TMC.

(b) The Central Government has constituted the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal to adjudicate the water disputes among the basin States of Karnataka, Kerala, Tamilnadu and Pondichery. The party States have submitted their claim before the Tribunal. The Tribunal has not submitted the final award.

(c) As reported by the Government of Kerala the Parambikulam-Aliyar Project Agreement stipulates that Tamilnadu Government has to supply 400 million cubic feet (MCFT), 320 MCFT and 180 MCFT on the second fortnight of May, 1st fortnight of June and 2nd fortnight of June respectively at Manacadavu weir. As against these Tamilnadu has supplied 9 MCFT, 1 MCFT and 114 MCFT respectively.

(d) Parambikulam-Aliyar Project agreement is a bilateral agreement between Kerala and Tamilnadu. The agreement was executed in 1970 with retrospective effect from 1958. Generally these type of issues are discussed between the Governments concerned and sorted out by mutual negotiations.

Pamba-Achencovil-Vaipar link project

1020. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are determined to implement the proposal of Pamba-Achencovil-Vaipar link project without taking into consideration Kerala's objections;

(b) whether Government think that there is surplus water in Pamba and Achencovil rivers which is liable to be diverted to Tamil Nadu;

(c) if so, the reasons which prompted Government to arrive at such a conclusion;

(d) whether Government are aware that a study conducted by CWRDM shows that there is water deficit in those rivers; and

(e) whether Government would accept the study of the above agency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) No, Sir.